

PROCLAMATION.

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

Washington, November 20, 1860.

The City Councils having by a joint resolution requested the Mayor to designate a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer, I have approved the act, and deem it my duty to give an official announcement of the same by this my Proclamation, and recommend that Thursday, the 29th instant be set apart for the purpose.

The observance of a day of Thanksgiving at this season of the year is sanctioned by time-honored custom, and is peculiarly becoming a Christian community. The blessings which are continually vouchsafed to us demand that we should occasionally turn aside from our daily avocations, and, as it were, sanctify a secular day by united and heartfelt manifestations of gratitude, by prayerful reflection, and by contrite supplications.

In order to give due effect and solemnity to the occasion, every good citizen is invoked to contribute something of example and precept towards the fulfillment of the duties which properly belong to the day; and to this end I recommend that the ordinary pursuits of business be suspended, and that all denominations assemble in their respective places of worship to render thanks to Almighty God for His bountiful mercies, and to offer up applications for a continuance of our civic and our national prosperity.

Given under my hand, at the city of Washington, the twentieth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty. JAMES G. BERRET, Mayor.

WATCH REPAIRS.—Saturday night.—John Welch, drunk and vagrant, workhouse ninety days; John Ellis and Thomas West, drunk and disorderly, each workhouse ninety days; James Beckett and Isaiah Quinn, both negroes, fighting and disorderly, workhouse ninety days; John Wells, vagrant and pilfering about Centre Market, workhouse ninety days; two lodgers.

Sunday night.—Mary Driscoll, drunk, workhouse ninety days; Thomas Fitzgerald, drunk, disorderly, and fighting, workhouse ninety days; Thomas Russell, negro, drunk and disorderly, workhouse ninety days. There were five lodgers.

Mr. Editor: Are we ever going to have another fair of the Metropolitan Mechanics' Institute? If so, I think it is time something was done towards making arrangements for it. If I mistake not, a resolution was passed two years ago to have an exhibition at that time. Now, however, an inducement will be offered that may not occur again soon; and I think it should be taken advantage of by the members of this praiseworthy organization. The plan I propose is this: As a large building will have to be erected for the inauguration ball on the 4th of March, would it not be an economical plan to have a building erected that shall suffice for both purposes? This will be a large saving to both the committee for the ball and the Mechanics' Institute, and the fair can be held either before or after the inauguration, as the latter may desire. The great number of strangers who will be in the city, will be another great inducement to have it at that time. Let us have another exhibition by all means. A MEMBER OF THE M. M. I.

Is Town.—Hon. A. Schell, New York city; Hon. J. S. V. Pruyn, Albany, N. Y.; and Senator Antonio Flores, Ecuador; are at Willard's.

Is Rather a Cool Place.—Mary Driscoll, having come into the possession of a considerable sum of money, (twenty-five or thirty cents,) concluded to have a little bit of fun all to herself.

Accordingly, she armed herself with a bottle of the liquid usually known as Jersey lightning, and proceeded to enjoy herself in the most approved fashion. She finally brought up in Tiber creek, where she was found last night by some of the Auxiliary Guard, by whom she was taken to the watch-house. This morning she was sent to the workhouse, where, it is supposed, she will have an opportunity of keeping up the jolly good time.

Hon. Thomas Corwin, of Ohio, arrived in this city on Saturday evening, and is stopping at the National.

Returned.—First Assistant Postmaster General King returned to the city on Saturday, from a visit to his former home in Maine, and has resumed the duties of his office.

Flag Presentation.—The German Republican Association of this city will this evening present the Wide Awake of the District of Columbia with a handsome silk American flag. The presentation will take place at the Wigwam. We hope the Wide Awakes will be out in their full strength on this interesting occasion.

Art Treasures.—Our fellow townsman, Mr. W. D. Washington, whose beautiful picture of "McDonald bringing a Spy into Marion's Camp" was exhibited here last spring, has returned from his fall studies in the forest, and is at work in his studio, King's gallery. He has on his easel a fine composition, "Night Bivouac of Marion's Men," which shows in its present state how thoroughly he has devoted himself to the subject, and we are satisfied it will prove one of his most successful efforts.

A visit to Dr. Stone's atelier proves that neither mind nor hand has been idle. His statue of Hancock, for the Capitol, is nearly finished, and when placed there will show that one of our noblest men has been truly and faithfully conceived. It is worthy of the place and the man; and Dr. Stone can afford to rest his reputation on this effort.

The model of the colossal statue of Benton is nearly finished; and St. Louis, for which it is ordered, may well be proud of such a work of art. He has caught the spirit and nobleness of the man, and stamped it in marble for future generations. The plinth, which is square, will be ornamented by four basso reliefs: one, the coat of arms of Missouri, surrounded by a civic wreath; the opposite, the coat of arms of the United States, also surrounded by a civic wreath; one representing Mr. Benton as speaking in the Senate, the other sitting at a table writing his "Thirty Years."

Mr. Philip S. Solomons, Pennsylvania avenue, to whom our citizens have been so much indebted for the exhibition of many choice works of art, have received a beautiful collection of water-color drawings, which will prove a rich treat to those who cultivate this branch of painting. They have also numerous other works on exhibition, that amply repay the time devoted to their examination.

The Teachers' Association.—Professor Henry is delivering weekly, each Saturday morning, at seven o'clock, lectures before the city and all other persons who may be interested in the subject of science. These lectures take place at the Washington Institution, and are illustrated by the rare and valuable apparatus connected with the Institution. The opportunity thus offers itself to the public to improve themselves upon

regretted that the teachers of our District do not avail themselves of this generous and instructive treat tendered to them by Professor Henry. If the cause of education is to prosper in our midst, we must have living, active, and competent teachers, such as keep up with the times in their profession. Not one in ten of those persons who are engaged in teaching in this city attend these lectures. This ought not to be. Teachers, show that you love your calling by attending these meetings.

That Surprise-Party.—We hear of a good joke that happened in this city, week before last, which we cannot refrain from ventilating. It appears that sundry young gentlemen, wishing to vary somewhat the extreme dullness of the times, hit upon the idea of a surprise party as likely to accomplish that desirable result. Accordingly, about twenty couples were collected for this very laudable purpose, and, with all the good things which had been provided, were on their way, at about eight and a half o'clock in the evening, to the house where they proposed spending the evening, not half a mile from the vicinity of Wesley Chapel.

Arrived at the door, the bell was rung, and an individual with a face black enough for charcoal to "make a white mark upon" soon made his appearance. As soon as the door was opened, the gentlemen made a rush to get inside; and this sudden movement, it being very dark in the passage, so frightened the colored individual as to cause him to beat a hasty retreat up stairs, when he informed his master that a party of "States Hose" were in the house.

The young lady to whom the visit was specially intended, we might as well here mention, was at the Theatre, where Jefferson was doing up "Rip Van Winkle," and her father was preparing to imitate, in a degree, the act which made that celebrated individual so famous, in his own house.

When the old gentleman heard the story of the terrified servant, he armed himself with a pair of loaded revolvers, and, placing a rusty old gun in the hands of Sambo, he proceeded cautiously down the steps, and, partly opening the parlor door, both of them thrust their firearms in, prior to entering themselves.

This movement was followed by a succession of screams from the lady visitors, whilst most of the young "gallants" (oh, fie!) took refuge under the sofa and tables.

In a few moments, however, things were explained, and all hands laughed heartily at the double surprise, excepting one young man whose head had come in contact with one of the sofa legs. The old gentleman put away his revolvers, extended a hearty welcome to all the young folks, and everybody turned to enjoying themselves. The young lady arrived early, and the fun was kept up till near morning, the old gentleman receiving many compliments for his pluck in the mean time.

"It is" thinks that young folks who go on surprise parties hereafter should be careful not to upset or otherwise alarm the servant of the domicile, as it might not turn out quite so well another time as it did this.

Personal Rencontre.—There was quite an exciting scene at the National Hotel on Friday night, in which Mr. Linton, a lawyer of this city, and a man named Davis, participated. Politics was the cause of the difficulty, and many different reports reach us as to who was most to blame. Linton made the assertion that he was a Republican, which was replied to in a bitter manner by Davis. Other words ensued, when Linton drew a knife, and was about plunging it into Davis, when he was restrained by bystanders, and subsequently taken in charge by the police.

Arrivals at the Hotels.

National.—William Yates, N. Y.; I. H. Sullivan, Ohio; J. B. Hogg, N. Y.; R. N. Fields, Ky.; L. Rowe, Charleston, S. C.; W. T. Ber, Savannah; A. E. Helmer, Va.; G. W. Yancy, Va.; E. Halsey, Va.; W. M. Scribner, Mass.; Miss S. S. Barrett, Cincinnati; G. A. Myers and lady, Va.; Miss Watkins, Va.; G. W. Mason and lady, N. Y.; John Thomas, Va.; T. C. Barnes, Va.; J. Hunter, D. C.; J. Marshall McCue, Va.; S. D. Woodberry, Tenn.; J. A. Woodberry, Tenn.; G. H. Burns, D. C.

Brown's Hotel.—J. Perly, N. Y.; J. B. Brown, Md.; L. B. Barnes, Boston; J. B. Rogers, Tenn.; C. E. Butler and lady, Me.; S. Hastings, Va.; S. B. Bloom, Ga.; W. F. Bromley, Ga.; Mrs. Sanders, Ala.; Dr. Van Dyke, Ga.; D. W. Moon, C. E.; L. Bates, La.; R. Hodges, Ind.; A. H. Van Bokken, Ind.; Capt. J. F. Morrison, Va.; M. Cohen, Va.; J. N. Kendrick, Va.; S. T. Strue, Ky.; H. Hart, Va.; M. F. Mason, Va.; J. D. Edward, Mass.

Willard's Hotel.—A. Provost and lady, D. C.; Hon. J. S. V. Pruyn, Albany; Hon. A. Schell, N. Y.; F. A. East, N. Y.; George Farr, N. Y.; E. Griffin and wife, Rochester; H. M. Pearce, Boston; S. N. Solomon, N. Y.; G. W. McClure, N. Y.; A. J. Smith, Texas; Sen. Antonio Flores, Ecuador; S. Bowles and lady, S. Brosius, Balt.; Rufus Ingalls, U. S. N.; Mrs. Andrews, Miss Andrews, Boston; P. Whipple and lady, Md.; M. V. B. Stevens, A. S. Parsons and wife, Miss Parsons, Balt.; A. S. Carter, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Hubbard, N. Y.; Major and Mrs. C. A. Pearson, Miss A. H. Roscoe, Nashville; H. F. Stickney, Balt.; W. D. Bowie, Md.; H. C. Spaulding, D. C.; John Rice, Philadelphia; L. W. Minor, U. S. N.; A. C. Whitcomb, Cal.; Mr. Taylor, Boston.

ATTENTION, WIDE AWAKES!

You are requested to be present, in uniform, at the "Wigwam," this (Monday) evening, at half past seven o'clock. Our German Republican friends will be present, for the purpose of presenting us with an American flag.

L. CLEPHANE, President.

GEORGETOWN ADVERTISEMENTS.

Mr. H. O. Reaver is our authorized agent for Georgetown. Subscriptions and advertisements for this paper can be left at Barnard's Drug Store, corner of Bridge and High streets.

REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATION.

An adjourned meeting of the Republican Association will be held at their room, (to-morrow,) Tuesday evening, at seven o'clock. By order.

BOOT AND SHOE STORE,

No. 108 Bridge street, Georgetown, D. C. THE subscriber has constantly on hand a large supply of BOOTS and SHOES, which will be sold cheap. Persons would do well to give him a call before purchasing elsewhere.

nov 26 GEORGE GRAY.

Paints, Oils, and Window Glass.

LEWIS'S pure White Lead. French Zinc pure. Sterling White Lead, in tins, at \$1 and \$3 each. Linseed Oil. Turpentine, Litharge. Chrome, Green and Yellow. Ochre, Red and Yellow. Red Lead, Fire-Proof Paint. Window Glass, all sizes, and Putty. Sold very low for cash, by

CHARLES STOTT, No. 375 Penn. avenue.

THE STRINGENCY OF THE MONEY MARKET

Suggests to all the importance of obtaining the worth of their money.

G. G. EVANS

Has established a branch of his celebrated

GIFT BOOK ENTERPRISE

AT

476 Pennsylvania Avenue,

And his stock of Literature is now one of the largest south of Philadelphia, embracing all the

STANDARD AND MODERN PUBLICATIONS OF THE DAY, BOTH FOREIGN AND AMERICAN.

With every purchase

A HANDSOME GIFT IS PRESENTED.

ALL BOOKS ON SALE AT REGULAR PUBLISHER'S PRICES.

PURCHASERS CANNOT FAIL TO PERCEIVE the advantages to be derived from obtaining their books from

THE GIFT BOOKSTORE,

And thus

SECURE A PRIZE


For the amount paid for a similar book at other establishments.

Catalogues containing full particulars of our mode of doing business can be obtained gratis by sending or calling at

OUR STORE,

476 Penn. av., bet. Third and Four-and-a-half streets. nov 26

INTERIOR ADORNMENTS.

486.  486.

PAPER HANGINGS,

OF ALL GRADES AND PRICES.

WARRANTED Gold Band Window Shades, Buff, Green, and Blue Holland Shades, all sizes, made to order.

Also, a handsome assortment of Picture Cord and Tassels, all sizes and colors.

Purchasing for cash, and allowing no old stock to accumulate, persons needing the above goods will find it to their advantage to give me a call. All work executed and superintended by practical men, who have served a regular apprenticeship at their trade.

Satisfaction guaranteed, or no pay required. Please give me a call. Remember the number.

JOHN MARKRITER, No. 486 Seventh street, eight doors above nov 26 Odd Fellows' Hall.

FRESH TEAS.

I AM receiving a lot of Green and Black TEAS, among which are some of the finest grades as can be had, to which I invite the attention of all lovers of choice Green and Black TEAS.

JESSIE H. WILSON, 327 Pa. av., -on Sixth and Seventh streets, south side.

J. J. COOMBS,

Attorney and Counsellor at Law,

WILL practice in the local Courts of this District, and in the Supreme Court and Court of Claims. Office at the corner of Indiana avenue and Second street.

Carriage Sponge and Shamoi Skins, FOR sale by CHARLES STOTT, nov 26-lawlm No. 375 Penn. avenue.

ENGLISH CARRIAGE VARNISH, FOR sale by CHARLES STOTT, nov 26-lawlm No. 375 Penn. avenue.

AT FRANCIS'S

HOUSE-FURNISHING STORE, 490 Seventh street,

YOU can find a complete assortment of House-keeping Hardware, Cutlery, Silver-plated Ware, Britannia, Block Tin, and Japanned Ware, Door Mats, Table Mats, Feather Dusters, Clocks, and all the useful articles for Housekeeping, together with Ladies' Satchels, Card Cases, Purses, Fans, Combs, Brushes, Baskets, &c., &c., all selected with great care, bought for cash, and will be sold at the very lowest prices. Purchasers will do well to remember

FRANCIS'S House-Furnishing Store, No. 490 Seventh street. nov 26

FOR RENT.

A THREE STORY and basement brick house, on the corner of Fourth and K streets, containing eight rooms, newly new, and in good order. To a prompt tenant the rent will be moderate. Inquire of J. T. Clements, agent, No. 580 I street, or at this office. nov 26-if

G. W. DUTTON,

BUTCHER AND VICTUALLER, F street, (north side,) near Eleventh.

THE subscriber has opened a regular Family Market on F street, near Eleventh street, where he is prepared to furnish Men of all kinds, Vegetables, Oysters, Butter, Eggs, and every description of Family Provisions, for family use, and respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage.

He still continues to carry on the Butchering business at his stands, No. 7 in the Centre Market, and No. 46 in the Northern Liberties Market, where he will always be found on market days, ready to supply his customers with choice Meats.

nov 26 G. W. DUTTON.

MRS. H. GILBERT'S

BOARDING HOUSE, No. 548 Pennsylvania avenue, between First and Second streets, Washington, D. C.

Board, one dollar twenty-five cents per Day.

PROTECTION.

"Now let those leave who never insured before. And those who have, let them insure the more."

The Potomac Fire Insurance Company

of Georgetown, D. C.,

CHARTERED BY CONGRESS, 1831.

STOCKHOLDERS PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE.

THE Stockholders and Directors embrace many of the most wealthy and respectable citizens of this District.

JOHN MARBURY, President.

HENRY KING, Secretary.

AMOS HUNT, Travelling Agent.

Office and residence No. 51 North A street, Capitol Hill. Box 454, City Post Office. Orders attended to immediately. Losses paid promptly.

Care for home, and home will care for us. nov 26

DR. DANIEL BREED,

Late Examiner in the Patent Office,

SOLICITOR OF PATENTS AND CONSULTING CHEMIST,

Seventh street, corner of F, opposite Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

DR. BREED prepares Papers and Drawings, and attends to all business relative to procuring Patents in America and in Europe. He will give special attention to rejected applications and other difficult cases. nov 26

LADIES' MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S BOOTS, SHOES, AND GAITERS,

OF the best quality, and cheaper than can be found elsewhere in the city.

An assortment of Ladies' Morocco Boots, from 75 cents to \$1.50.

Gaiters, from 50 cents to \$1.75.

Slippers, from 25 cents to \$1.

No. 527 Pennsylvania avenue, between Second nov 26 and Third streets.

BEN. F. FRENCH. W. F. RICHSTEIN.

FRENCH & RICHSTEIN,

(Successors to William F. Bayly.)

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS

IN BOOKS, STATIONERY, AND PERIODICALS.

No. 278 Pennsylvania avenue,

Washington, D. C.

Wedding and Visiting Cards neatly Engraved and Printed.

Paper and Envelopes Stamped with Initials without extra charge.

Subscriptions received for all the

WEEKLY PAPERS AND MAGAZINES!

Also, New York Herald, Times, and Tribune.

Call and examine our Stock. All bound books sold from ten to fifty per cent. less than the Publishers' prices.

Any books not on hand, ordered with dispatch from London, Paris, New York, Boston, and Philadelphia. nov 26-31

JOHN T. GIVEN & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

DEALERS IN

COAL AND WOOD,

Southwest corner of O and Fourteenth streets,

NEAR CANAL BRIDGE.

FAIR PRICES AND FAIR DEALING!

nov 26-1W

WASHINGTON MANUFACTURES.

Encourage Home Production.

LAMPBLACK of all qualities, and packed in all of the different styles known to the trade. ROOFING PITCH for gravel roofs, Roofing Felt for gravel roofs, and also used for slate and tin roofs. Manufactured and for sale by

H. G. WILSON & CO., Twenty-second street and Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. Office adjoining Bank of Washington. nov 26

L. SNYDER,

Plumber and Gas Fitter,

WILL introduce Gas and Water upon the most liberal terms, at the shortest notice, and will guarantee satisfaction.

He has on hand a lot of Cooking and other Stoves, which he will sell at less than cost. Call and see him. Remember the place, southeast corner of Tenth and F streets. nov 26-1m

NOTICE!

I WISH all gentlemen to bear in mind that the plan which I adopted, six years ago, of selling HATS and BOOTS at greatly reduced prices, for cash, is in successful operation. Just received, a full supply of the latest New York styles of DRESS HATS. The very finest Hat at \$3.50; a first-rate Hat, \$3; and very good, fashionable Hat, \$2.50. All of the latest styles of soft HATS and CAPS, at the very lowest prices. I am constantly supplied with a very large stock of those fine DRESS BOOTS, at \$3.75—which I have been selling for many years—as well as the very best quality of Patent Leather GAITERS, at \$3.50. Fine French Gaiters, from \$2 to \$2.50.

Terms cash. No extra charge in order to offset old debts. ANTHONY, Agent for the Manufacturers, Seventh street, second Hat Store from the corner, opposite Avenue House, No. 540. nov 26

STEREOTYPE FOUNDRY, Corner of Indiana avenue and Second street, Washington, D. C.

BOOKS, Pamphlets, Wood Engravings, and Jobs of all kinds, Stereotyped to order. A variety of Business Cuts on hand, for sale, cheap for cash. C. W. MURRAY, Stereotyper.

LADD, WEBSTER, & Co.'s SEWING MACHINES

Are preferred above all others.

LADD, WEBSTER, & Co.'s SEWING MACHINES

Are preferred above all others.

LADD, WEBSTER, & Co.'s SEWING MACHINES

Are preferred above all others.

For reasons why, see advertisement in another column.

AT JANNEY'S, 248 Pennsylvania avenue.

Young Ladies in attendance.

Rooms to Let, with or without Board.

Apply to Mrs. HARRIS, 483 Tenth, between D and E streets, who has one very fine parlor and chamber.

Also, several small rooms. Charges moderate. nov 26

Fine Family Groceries, Teas, &c.

Ray's, Welch's, and Bond's Family Flour. New Virginia and Pennsylvania Buckwheat. Fresh Corn Meal.

Choice Goshen Butter.

Prime Leaf Lard.

Choice Green and Black Teas.

New Sugar-cured Family Hams.

Just received and for sale low by

BROWNING & KEATING,

353 Penn. avenue, near Sixth street.

nov 26

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables.

Green Corn, Green Beans,

Green Tomatoes, Fresh Peaches,

Brandy Peaches, Lima Beans,

French Peas, Asparagus,

Mushrooms, Capers and Olives,